



Nebraska Client Assistance Program

Hotline for Disability Services

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The Hotline for Disability Services

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ALTERNATIVE FINANCING LOAN PROGRAM, NE.

Description:

PROVIDES LOW OR REDUCED INTEREST LOANS TO QUALIFIED NEBRASKANS WITH DISABILITIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY DEVICES AND SERVICES. THESE DEVICES INCLUDE EQUIPMENT OR ITEMS TO HELP MAINTAIN, INCREASE AND IMPROVE THE INDEPENDENCE OR FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (EX: WHEELCHAIRS, MOTORIZED SCOOTERS, BRAILLE EQUIPMENT, SCANNERS, HEARING AIDS, AUGMENTATIVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL UNITS, COMPUTERS AND ADAPTIVE COMPUTER PERIPHERALS, BUILDING MODIFICATIONS FOR ACCESSIBILITY, AND MOTOR VEHICLES REQUIRING MODIFICATIONS FOR ACCESSIBILITY (WHERE THE VALUE OF THE VEHICLE IS GREATER THAN THE COST OF THE MODIFICATIONS)). ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES INCLUDE ADVISING THE CONSUMER IN THE SELECTION, ACQUISITION AND/OR USE OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY DEVICES. A SECOND PROGRAM, THE NE. TELESKIPING LOAN PROGRAM, ALSO PROVIDES LOW OR REDUCED INTEREST LOANS TO QUALIFIED NEBRASKANS WITH DISABILITIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY DEVICES AND SERVICES NECESSARY FOR SECURING TELESKIPING EMPLOYMENT (EX: COMPUTERS, PRINTERS, SOFTWARE, FAX MACHINES, SCANNERS, OFFICE MACHINES, TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES, TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM INSTALLATION CHARGES, OFFICE FURNITURE, HOME MODIFICATIONS FOR ACCESSIBILITY AND/OR TO CREATE HOME OFFICES, MOTOR VEHICLES, AND OTHER ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY). THIS WOULD INCLUDE PAID EMPLOYMENT REGULARLY PERFORMED AT A LOCATION OTHER THAN THE EMPLOYER'S PLACE OF BUSINESS--SUCH AS THE WORKER'S HOME OR TELESKIPING CENTER--AND/OR PAID SELF-EMPLOYMENT AT A PERMANENT LOCATION. PROGRAM SERVICES WILL GO BEYOND THE LOAN PROCESS TO INCLUDE CONSUMER COUNSELING, FUNDING COORDINATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH HELP FROM THE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP. LOANS FOR BOTH PROGRAMS RANGE FROM \$1500 TO \$50,000, HAVE AN INTEREST RATE OF 2.75% AND HAVE A MAXIMUM TERM OF TEN YEARS.

Eligibility:

List of Provided Services:

Financial: Other Financial

Contact Information:

Address:

EASTER SEALS NEBRASKA

12565 W CENTER RD SUITE 100

Omaha NE 68144

Hours of Operation: 8-5:00 MON-FRI

Website: ne.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=NEDR_loan

Main Phone: 800.650.9880

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Main Contact(s):

STAFF

Other Contact(s):

General Information

Agency ID: 1319

Counties Served:

Adams, Antelope, Arthur, Banner, Blaine, Boone, Box Butte, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Chase, Cherry, Cheyenne, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawes, Dawson, Deuel, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Dundy, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Garden, Garfield, Gosper, Grant, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Holt, Hooker, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Keya Paha, Kimball, Knox, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, Loup, Madison, McPherson, Merrick, Morrill, Nance, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Scotts Bluff, Seward, Sheridan, Sherman, Sioux, Stanton, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, York

Ages Served: All Ages

Disabilities Served:

Alcohol/Drug, BIMl (Behavioral Impairment/Mental Illness), Brain Injury/Head Injury, DD (Developmental Disability including MR), Hearing Impairment, LD (Learning Disability), OHI - Other Health Impairment, Orthopedic, Speech Disability, Visual Disability

Wheelchair Accessible: Yes

Fees: NO CHG

Sliding Fee Schedule: Yes

Interpreters on Staff:

How to Appeal a Decision: